

MARYLAND MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, June 28, 2018

TIME: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
201 W. Preston Street, Lobby Conference Room L-3
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

AGENDA

- I. Departmental Report
- II. Rate Setting Study
- III. CMS Score Card
- IV. Waiver, State Plan and Regulations Changes
- V. Behavioral Health System Report
- VI. Public Comments
- VII. Adjournment

**Date and Location of Next Meeting:
Thursday, July 26, 2018, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
201 W. Preston Street, Lobby Conference Room L-3
Baltimore, Maryland 21201**

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Committee members are asked to contact staff if unable to attend

**MARYLAND MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

May 24, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Lesley Wallace
Ms. Susan Phelps
Ms. Shannon Hall
Ms. Vickie Walters
Adeteju Ogunrinde, M.D
Mr. Kevin Lindamood
Mr. Ben Steffen
Rachel Dodge, M.D.
Ms. Grace Williams
Ms. Donna Fortson
The Hon. Joanne C. Benson
The Hon. Joseline Peña-Melnyk
Mr. Floyd Hartley
Ms. Christine Bailey
Ms. Kerry Lessard
Ms. Nicolette Smith-Bligen
Ms. Michele Douglas

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Travis Gayles, M.D.
Winifred Booker, D.D.S
Ms. Carmel Roques
Mr. C. David Ward
Mr. Norbert Robinson
The Hon. Shirley Nathan-Pulliam
The Hon. Matthew Morgan
Judy Lapinski, Pharm.D
The Hon. Pat Young
Mr. Vincent DeMarco

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Call to Order and Approval of Minutes

Mr. Kevin Lindamood, Chair, called to order the meeting of the Maryland Medicaid Advisory Committee (MMAC) at 1:05 p.m. Committee members approved the minutes from the April 26, 2018 meeting as written.

Departmental Report

Mr. Dennis Schrader, COO and Medicaid Director, informed the Committee that there is a great amount of work to do after a busy legislative session. The Department will be doing a recruitment and rotation of membership. The new chairperson for the Medicaid Advisory Committee starting July 1, 2018 will be Ms. Vickie Walters.

Behavioral Health Update

Ms. Rebecca Frechard gave the Committee an overview of the Medicaid Behavioral Health Unit and some of the projects the unit is working on (see attached presentation). This unit oversees programs with a \$1.3 billion budget and works closely with the Behavioral Health Administration. This presentation talks about Buprenorphine but Vivitrol is on the Department's radar.

HealthChoice Evaluation Update

Ms. Alyssa Brown, Deputy Director, Planning Administration, gave the Committee an overview and update on the 2012-2016 HealthChoice Evaluation (see attached presentation).

Membership Planning

Ms. Kimberly Bennardi, Administrator, Office of Appointments and Executive Nominations informed the Committee that there are nine individuals whose terms have either expired or will be expiring at the end of June. The Department has been actively putting the word out that we are looking for individuals interested in serving. Most of the seats that are open are advocate seats.

If you know someone who may be interested, please give them Ms. Bennardi's telephone number, 410-767-4049. We do require a formal application because everyone who applies must be vetted. The Department has sent emails to various organizations requesting recommendations. We won't be appointing all of these slots on July 1, 2018 but will be rolling the new appointees out over the next several months.

Waiver, State Plan and Regulation Changes

Ms. Susan Tucker, Executive Director, Office of Health Services, gave the Committee the highlights of regulations, state plan amendments and waivers.

The Governor announced yesterday that long-term care services providers would be receiving a 3% increase as opposed to a 1% increase originally in the budget. We are making changes to the Family Planning Waiver on July 1, 2018 adding services to include men. We received approval from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and are implementing the addition of hearing aids on July 1, 2018

Public Comments

Ms. Ellen Weber, Legal Action Center, gave comments on the enforcement of the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act. Ms. Pattie Archuleta, Parents Place of Maryland gave comments on their Maryland Families Report on the State of the State.

Adjournment

Mr. Lindamood adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.